

**Notice of Allowability** 

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Applicant(s)

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Group Art Unit 3635



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∑ The drawings filed on Jan 20, 2001 are acceptable.
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□ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
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<ul> <li>Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152</li> <li>☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413</li> </ul>
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Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Allowable Subject Matter

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1. Claims 1-25 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: the 2.

prior art of record fails to teach the use of a window assembly having a movable sash including a

frame having and end portion with a projecting member positioned adjacent a projecting member

formed on an end rail of the movable sash member positioned within the frame; wherein the

projections prevent movement of the sash in a direction transverse to the upward and downward

movement of the sash. The closest prior art of record is U.S. Patent #5,560,149 to LaFEVRE.

LaFEVRE discloses adjacent projections formed on the meeting rail or middle section of the

frame and upper end portion of the sash, which limits or guides the downward travel of the sash

and has little or nothing to do with limiting movement in a direction transverse to the sash.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner 3.

should be directed to Yvonne M. Horton whose telephone number is (703) 308-1909.

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